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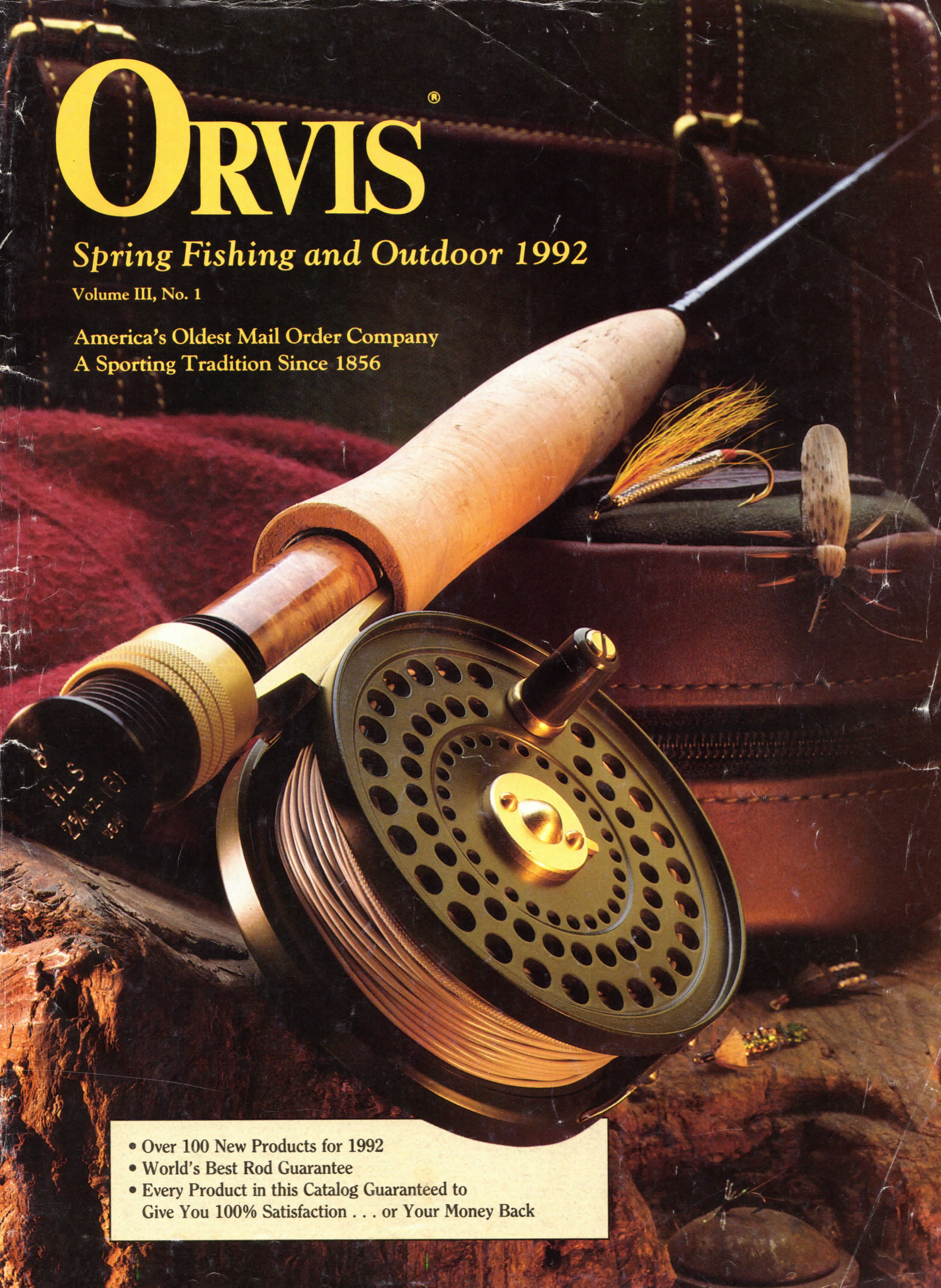

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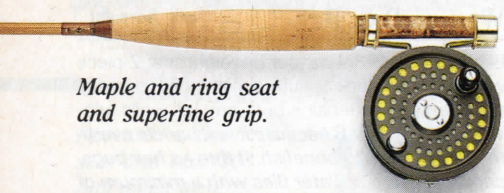
- World's Best Rod Guarantee
- Every Product in this Catalog Guaranteed to Give You 100% Satisfaction . . . or Your Money Back



Maple and ring seat and superfine grip.

Reversed maple and ring reel seat and reversed half-wells grip with superfine front taper.

Reversed cocabolla reel seat and reversed half-wells grip with superfine taper.

Reversed locking maple reel seat and reversed half-wells grip.

Orvis bamboo rods are still handcrafted in our Manchester, Vermont workshop with the same skill and care that has gone into our cane rods since Charles F. Orvis began making them here. We start with only the most select bamboo — the Tonkin cane, or *Arundenaria amabilis,* grown only in one small area of Kwangsi Province in China. Only about 5% of the cane we import is selected by our rodmakers to be made into these beautiful, exquisitely sensitive rods. After the bamboo segments are selected for functional perfection, they are graded according to their cosmetic quality. The sticks with exceptional color uniformity are made into Battenkill® rods, those with minor cosmetic imperfections are used for Madisons® — but these imperfections in no way affect the action or casting qualities of the Madison® rods.

All Orvis bamboo rods are impregnated with a special resin which makes them completely waterproof and impervious to extreme heat and cold. The glowing finish on an Orvis Battenkill® or Madison® is the natural surface of the cane buffed to a high polish — the finish is **in** an Orvis rod, not on it.

Christened in honor of the trout river many consider one of the most scenic in the world, Orvis Battenkill® bamboo fly rods epitomize flawless craftsmanship, fluid delicacy, and pride-of-ownership. Elegant bird's-eye maple and nickel silver hardware and tipped windings make the finished rod a thing of beauty. Battenkill® rods come complete with extra tip, cloth sack, and black anodized presentation case with solid brass cap.

Our Madison® -grade rods are a practical and economical alternative for the fly fisher who appreciates the unique casting magic of a fine bamboo fly rod. Madison® rods come with single tip, cloth sack, and black anodized presentation case with solid brass cap.

All Orvis bamboo rods are individually registered, and may be personalized with your name if you desire.

Orvis Bamboo Rods: A Tradition of Exquisite Craftsmanship

Battenkill® 7/3 — 3-weight

7 foot, 3-1/4 oz., for 3-weight line; 2-piece slow action rod with maple and ring reel seat and superfine grip.

One of the most delicate, extra-sensitive rods ever produced. Makes a 10-inch trout into a worthy adversary, yet it will protect fine tippets with much larger fish.

J9743-57-71 — **Outfit:** 7 foot rod with extra tip, CFO® 123 reel, WF3F line, 100 yards 12 lb. backing, front loop . . . . . .

J9743-52-71 — Extra Tip Rod Only

Madison® 7/3 — 3-weight

7 foot, 3-1/4 oz., for 3-weight line; 2-piece slow action rod with reversed cocabolla reel seat and reversed half-wells grip with superfine taper.

J9702-53-62 — **Outfit:** 7 foot rod with Battenkill® 5/6 reel, WF3F line, 150 yards 20 lb. backing, front loop . . . . . .

J9702-51-62 — Single Tip Rod Only

J9702-54-56 — Blank with guide set - see page 21 . . . . . .

Battenkill® Flea — 4-weight

6-1/2 foot, 2-5/8 oz., for 4-weight line; 2-piece slow action rod with maple and ring reel seat and superfine grip.

A delicate, sensitive rod, especially for small streams. This rod has a staunch following among the Pennsylvania limestone stream fishermen.

J9756-57-71 — **Outfit:** 6-1/2 foot rod with extra tip, CFO® 123 reel, WF4F line, 75 yards 12 lb. backing, front loop . . . . . .

J9756-52-71 — Extra Tip Rod Only

Madison® Flea — 4-weight

6-1/2 foot, 2-7/8 oz., for 4-weight line; 2-piece slow action rod with reversed cocabolla reel seat and reversed half-wells grip with superfine front taper.

A delicate, sensitive rod, especially for small streams.

J9756-53-62 — **Outfit:** 6-1/2 foot rod with Battenkill® 5/6 reel, WF4F line, 150 yards 20 lb. backing, front loop . . . . . .

J9756-51-62 — Single Tip Rod Only

J9756-54-56 — Blank with guide set - see page 21 . . . . . .

Battenkill® 7/4 — 4-weight

7 foot, 3-3/8 oz., for 4-weight line; 3-piece with reversed maple and ring reel seat and reversed half-wells grip with superfine front taper.

A classic three-piece bamboo rod that several of the fishermen on our staff feel is the finest bamboo fly rod ever made. A delight on the stream, it goes on the plane with you as well.

J9705-57-71 — **Outfit:** 7 foot rod with extra tip, CFO® III reel, WF4F line, 100 yards 20 lb. backing, front loop . . . . . .

J9705-52-71 — Extra Tip Rod Only

Battenkill® Far-and-Fine® — 5-weight

7-1/2 foot, 3-7/8 oz., for 5-weight line; 2-piece fast action rod with reversed maple and ring reel seat and reversed half-wells grip with superfine front taper.

The taper and resulting action of this rod is different than any other Orvis bamboo, with a very delicate tip action . . . an action that is reminiscent of classic bamboo rods of the golden age, with a crispness that compares favorably to our more delicate graphite models.

J9776-56-71 — **Outfit:** 7-1/2 foot rod with extra tip, CFO® III reel, WF5F line, 100 yards 20 lb. backing, front loop . . . . . .

J9776-52-71 — Extra Tip Rod Only

Madison® Far-and-Fine — 5-weight

7-1/2 foot, 3-3/4 oz., for 5-weight line; 2-piece fast action rod with reversed cocabolla reel seat and reversed half-wells grip with superfine taper.

An action that is reminiscent of classic bamboo rods of the golden age.

J9777-53-62 — **Outfit:** 7-1/2 foot rod with Battenkill® 5/6 reel, WF5F line, 100 yards 20 lb. backing, front loop . . . . . .

J9777-51-62 — Single Tip Rod Only

J9777-54-56 — Blank with guide set - see page 21 . . . . . .

Join us in Manchester, Vermont, this spring or summer for the world renowned Orvis Fly Fishing School. In just three days you can learn the basics of fly fishing, practice on the Orvis trout ponds, fish the beautiful Battenkill, and enjoy the sights of New England.

For a free booklet and further information or for reservations, call Alan DeNicola at the toll-free number on the order form.

Battenkill® 7-1/2 Foot Trout — 6-weight

7-1/2 foot, 4 oz., for 6-weight line; 2-piece medium action with reversed locking maple reel seat and reversed half-wells grip.

The basic fly rod for the trout fisherman. Versatile 6-weight line handles trout flies sizes 6 through 20 with ease, with the famous sensitive action of the Orvis Battenkills.

J9751-56-71 — **Outfit:** 7-1/2 foot rod wth extra tip, CFO® III reel, WF6F line, 75 yards 20 lb. backing, front loop . . . . . .

J9751-52-71 — Extra Tip Rod Only

Madison® 7-1/2 Foot Trout — 6-weight

7-1/2 foot, 4 oz., for 6-weight line; 2-piece medium action with reversed cocabolla reel seat and reversed half-wells grip.

A versatile 6-weight rod for the trout fisherman.

J9753-53-62 — **Outfit:** 7-1/2 foot rod with Battenkill® 5/6 reel, WF6F line, 100 yards 20 lb. backing, front loop . . . . . .

J9753-51-62 — Single Tip Rod Only

J9753-54-56 — Blank with guide set - see page 21 . . . . . .

Battenkill® 8 Foot Trout — 6-weight

8 foot, 4-1/8 oz., for 6-weight line; 2-piece slow action rod with reversed locking maple reel seat and reversed half-wells grip.

With a very delicate, smooth action for those who prefer the line-mending abilities of a longer rod and the timing and feel of this classic length.

J9779-56-71 — **Outfit:** 8 foot rod with extra tip, CFO® III reel, WF6F line, 75 yards 20 lb. backing, front loop . . . . . .

J9779-52-71 — Extra Tip Rod Only

Madison® 8 Foot Trout — 6-weight

8 foot, 4-1/4 oz., for 6-weight line; 2-piece slow action with reversed cocabolla reel seat and reversed half-wells grip.

A very delicate, smooth action in a classic trout length.

J9780-53-62 — **Outfit:** 8 foot rod with Battenkill® 5/6 reel, WF6F line, 100 yards 20 lb. backing, front loop . . . . . .

J9780-51-62 — Single Tip Rod Only

J9780-54-56 — Blank with guide set - see page 21 . . . . . .

Battenkill® 8 Foot 3-Piece — 6-weight

8 foot, 4-3/8 oz., for 6-weight line; 3-piece medium action with reversed locking maple reel seat and reversed half-wells grip.

The classic 3-piece design, preferred by many traditionalists for traveling convenience and slightly crisper action. A very versatile rod for handling a wide range of fly sizes.

J9778-56-71 — **Outfit:** 8 foot rod with extra tip, CFO® III reel, WF6F line, 75 yards 20 lb. backing, front loop . . . . . .

J9778-52-71 — Extra Tip Rod Only